HOUSE BILL 998

By Campfield

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-504, relative to driving without a license.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-504(h), is amended by deleting subdivision (1) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(1) The vehicle used in the commission of a person's violation of § 55-50-504, when the original suspension or revocation was made for a violation of § 55-10-401, or a statute in another state prohibiting driving under the influence of an intoxicant, is subject to seizure and forfeiture in accordance with the procedure established in title 40, chapter 33, part 2. The department is designated as the applicable agency, as defined by § 40-33-202, for all forfeitures authorized by this subsection (h). The vehicle used in the commission of a person's violation of § 55-50-504, when the original suspension or revocation was not made for a violation of § 55-10-401, or a statute in another state prohibiting driving under the influence of an intoxicant, is subject to seizure at the scene of the violation, or at a location in close proximity to the scene of the violation if such vehicle is required to be relocated for safety reasons. Such vehicle shall be rendered inoperative through the use of a wheel-lock or other similar disabling device.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.